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**ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE  
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PRESIDENT JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

**NO. 2017-4**

**DELAWARE SUPERIOR COURT  
BENCH-BAR PROGRAM**

This 7<sup>TH</sup> day of March, 2017:

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2011, the Delaware Superior Court Bench-Bar Liaison Program was adopted by the Superior Court;

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2011, Administrative Directive 2011-5 directed that the contact information for the Bench-Bar liaisons in each county be easily accessible to members of the Delaware Bar;

WHEREAS, there is a modification of the Sussex County Bench-Bar civil liaison;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED** that Administrative Directive 2017-4 supersedes Administrative Directive 2015-4, which is hereby amended and restated in full, as follows:

**ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE NO. 2017-4**  
**DELAWARE SUPERIOR COURT BENCH-BAR PROGRAM**  
March 7, 2017

The Delaware Superior Court Bench-Bar is a program adopted by the Superior Court on June 2, 2011. The Program establishes two volunteer liaison positions in each county. One liaison will act in civil cases and the other in criminal cases. The liaisons will serve at the pleasure of the Superior Court and will act as intermediaries between Superior Court practitioners and the Resident Judge or appointed Liaison Judge for each county. The liaisons shall serve as a point of contact to address issues between practitioners and the Superior Court, continue the efficacious functioning of the Superior Court, and reinforce the collegiality that is a hallmark of the Delaware Bench and Bar. Practitioners' communications with the liaisons will remain confidential unless the practitioner agrees otherwise. Communications originating from the Court will be confidential among the practitioners involved.

The following contact information for the Bench-Bar liaisons for each county may be listed on the Superior Court's website, the Delaware State Bar Association's website, published in the Delaware State Bar Association's *The Journal*, or otherwise identified in publications that are easily accessible to members of the Delaware Bar.

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**New Castle County**

Resident Judge:  
Richard R. Cooch

**Civil Liaison:**

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**Kent County**

Resident Judge:  
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**Civil Liaison:**

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**Criminal Liaison:**

Gregory A. Morris,  
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**Sussex County**

Resident Judge:  
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**Civil Liaison:**

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/s/Jan R. Jurden

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